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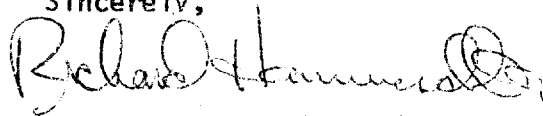
Dear Dr. Blackwell:

Thank you for your prompt reply to my letter, and for your frank and open account of how a portion of your studies at NAMRU-2 came to be funded by ARPA.

Your account of this matter has certainly mollified my concern, but I do feel that much of the tone of your letter was unwarranted. As I explicitly stated, it was not my intention to implicate your work as aiding and abetting any form of chemical warfare. Moreover, I attempted to make clear to you that the basis for my concern lay in the nature of the projects that ARPA has been supporting.

I appreciate your personal concern and that of NAMRU-2 for Human Welfare, and I trust you would agree that, as scientists, this concern encompasses a continuing awareness of the potential beneficial as well as detrimental uses to which our research may be applied. It was from this concern that I wrote to you, and in the spirit of this concern that I have taken your reply.

Sincerely,


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